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REMARKS

The presently submitted reference is not in English.

Concise Explanation of Relevance/Copy of Translation
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)

A concise explanation of the relevance of this reference is incorporated into the specification in the present application at page 2, paragraphs [0005] & [0006].

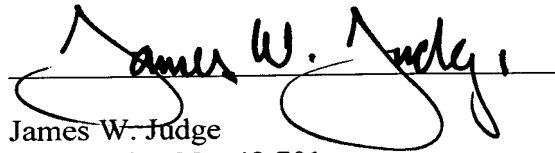
Furthermore, a machine-translated abstract, available through the Japanese Patent Office Web site, is attached to the front of this reference.

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider this reference, and to indicate so on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08A and make the document of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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